Docket No.: ED-2017-ICCD-0107

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Annual Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR) Program Assurances

AGENCY: Department of Education (ED), Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 30th day after publication of this notice].

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED-2017-ICCD-0107. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ, Room 216-44, Washington, D.C. 20202-4537.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Samuel Pierre, 202-245-6488.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this

collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written

comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Annual Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR) Program Assurances

OMB Control Number: 1820-0625

Type of Review: An extension of an existing information collection

Respondents / Affected Public: Private Sector

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 57

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 9

Abstract: Section 509 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (act), and its implementing Federal

Regulations at 34 CFR Part 381, require the Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR) grantees

to submit an application to the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) Commissioner in order to

receive assistance under Section 509 of the act. The act requires that the application contain Assurances to

which the grantee must comply. Section 509(f) of the act specifies the Assurances. There are 57 PAIR

grantees. All 57 grantees are required to be part of the protection and advocacy system in each State

established under the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 USC 6041

et seq.).

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Office of Management

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